

GRAND CIRCUIT SERIES HAD SUCCESSFUL YEAR

By W. H. GOTCHER
The forty-sixth renewal of the Grand circuit series closed at Atlanta October 18 after a run of fifteen weeks, during which there were fifteen meetings, of which 270 races were contested. Of that number 166 were for trotters, in which there were 1,163 starters, and 104 for pacers, in which the starters ran up to 121, making a total of 1,890 for the season.

For these events the premiums for trotters amounted to \$320,044.49 and for pacers to \$156,378.10, making a grand total for the year of \$476,422.59. Rainy days kept this amount from running over half a million. During the first five meetings the weather was very favorable for racing, but after the horses arrived at Philadelphia someone upset the rain barrel and it never got back into position during the balance of the season. Two days were checked off the list at Belmont park as well as at Poughkeepsie and Hartford, while Boston lost almost three and Syracuse almost two line races being declared off at that point. The Columbus September meeting was also hampered by the weather, but managed to give all of its program, while a colt race was all that was skipped at Lexington. At Atlanta the curtain fell on the series with the rain with the loss of one day's program.

The series of 1919 runs the number of meetings given by members of the Grand circuit in forty-six years up to 407, at which the premiums amounted to \$12,985,303.92. Hartford is now the senior member and Toledo the junior, while Cleveland alone remains of the four which started the organization in 1873. At the start its meetings were held over the golden oval at Glenview, but were transferred to North Randall in 1909 when the present course made its bow to the world.

While the average rate of speed was faster in 1919 than in the past, there has been very few sensational performances except among the aged, some might call them old horses. Single G's heat in 1:59 1/4 at Toledo was the only one of the kind in the series. While Lu Princeton leads the trotters with a time record of 2:01 and a mile in a dash race. All of these are a trifle short of the returns in 1918 when Single G and Miss Harris M. placed the three heat race record for the series. In the mile race while both Mabel Trask and St. Frisco won heats in 2:01 3/4. The injury sustained by Antie Guy in her second race, no doubt, kept the trotters from making a new mark, but all that can be said for the paces is that they could not step up to the new standard.

Of the old trotters, Heli Roamer, Early Dreams, Royal Mack and Mignola were the leaders. The first named, now a twelve-year-old, won in 2:04 3/4 at Kalamazoo. Royal Mack, eleven years old, made his third trip through the series, and won in 2:04 1/4 at Toledo and Lexington. While Early Dreams made a new record for horses of that age when he showed in front unopposed in 2:03 1/4. At the same time he also made a new world's record for geldings, which was broken by Prince Loree in the Transylvania. Mignola, a ten-year-old, marched like a conqueror here from the opening meeting of the Grand circuit until he pulled up lame at Hartford where he was defeated in the Charter Oak course by Mariandale. He was started in ten races of which he won nine and made a record of 2:01 1/4. No one ever saw a better trotter than the handsome son of Allerton.

McGregor the Great proved the leading money winner of 1919. He won twelve of his fourteen races. Mariandale defeated him in the Cleveland meeting and in the Massachusetts purse at Boston, but he more than offset those slips by his brilliant race at Syracuse, where he won in 2:02 1/4 and followed it by a sweep from that point to Atlanta. Direct C. Burnett leads the pacers in the dollar column. He won eleven of his fifteen races. After his first start at Cleveland, where he was drawn he looked to be unbeatable until Grace Direct caught him on his second appearance at Lexington. This was followed by two more losing performances at Atlanta, where Frank Dewey after a run in its field for eleven weeks flashed out in front in 2:01 1/2, while in his second race he lost to Sarardo. His stable companion, Grace Direct, Dr. Nick, Goldie Todd

and Hollywood Kate each won six races at the Grand Circuit meetings. Of this list, Grace Direct defeated all of the best class pacers of the year including Direct C. Burnett, Sarardo and Frank Dewey, while she was only beaten a few inches by Directum J. at Lexington. Prior to the opening of the Grand Circuit, this mare picked up five pacers on the half-mile tracks, in one of which Symbol S. Forrest won a heat from her in 2:05 3/4. Also after the close of the Philadelphia meeting, she was shipped to Springfield, Ill., where she defeated Single G. and a number of other high class performers in the free for all in 2:00 1/2.

Murphy did not start Dr. Nick until the circuit horses reached Poughkeepsie. He won six of seven starts, his only slip being at Syracuse, while he also showed a mile in 2:04 3/4 at Lexington after picking up three first moneys at Columbus.

Goldie Todd and Mollie Knight were the stars of the Geers' stable this year. The General Watts filly won seven of her engagements while Todd won six. The latter was standing to her credit when she pulled up lame at the September meeting. Her most sensational race was paced at the Columbus summer meeting when she defeated Frank Dewey at a time when he was booked for a trip in a mile in 2:04 3/4 at Lexington after picking up three first moneys at Columbus.

The time honored Walnut Hill cup was awarded Baron Cegante as the time in the first three heats of his division of the event averaged faster than that in which Selka was awarded the honors. The latter won two at Columbus and one each at Poughkeepsie and Syracuse ran his score for the year up to five firsts out of ten starts while he was also awarded second position at two other points. Of the other starters which were returned as triple winners, Single G. showed in front at the first three meetings but did not appear again after he was defeated at Columbus. The week after his driver's arm was broken in a wreck at Toledo, while Fenestus won three races, two of them being trotted at Toledo before she showed lame at Philadelphia.

Jack Keith won three races off the reel and dropped out while the two year old colt Daystar kept trying, notwithstanding the backset caused by sickness, for six races before he showed in front. When he did he won at Columbus, Lexington and Atlanta and made a record of 2:10 in a third heat.

The returns for the season shows that Murphy again stands at the top of the list of winning drivers. He won 56 events.

RICHMOND COLLEGE

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was intercepted by Zeigler. Jones made six yards and Zeigler one. The Tigers were penalized five yards for off-side, making first down for the Spiders. Richmond was caught in the same offense, and was only punished. Richmond made several good plunges, and looked like it might make another touchdown. J. Houghhead had to be carried off the field with a bad leg. Broadus punted behind the goal line.

Hampden-Sidney made their first down, and with the aid of a penalty on the Spiders were able to repeat. Irbly made several star plays, having zone in at the beginning of the last half. Both sides were off-side and the ball was allowed to remain where it was. With one minute left to play, the ball hardly was moved, and the game ended with the Spiders holding the long end of the score.

The line-up: Richmond (7) Pos. H. S. (9) Broadus (7) L. E. ... Pauletto Thompson (7) L. T. ... Martin Thompson (7) L. G. ... J. Houghhead Kidd (7) C. F. ... Houghhead Shepard (7) R. G. ... Adams Klevasash (7) R. T. ... Herzog Robinson (7) R. E. ... Pelming Jones (7) Q. H. ... Jones Zeigler (7) I. H. ... Smith Blankenship (7) F. H. ... Warren Lane (7) F. B. ... Bonham Substitutions: Richmond—Spencer for Lane; Coverlee for Robinson; Price for Shepard; Sheppard for Kidd; Kidd for Sheppard; Sheppard for Price; Krappes for Coverlee; Hampden-Sidney—Irbly for Bonham; Bonham for Pauletto; Smith for J. Houghhead. Touchdowns—Richmond: Goals from touchdowns—Broadus (Apple (Michigan), referee, Johnson (Virginia), umpire, McCree (Richmond Blues), head linesman. Time of quarters—Fifteen minutes.

DARTMOUTH WINS FROM CORNELL'S 11

Take Their Measure in Game at Polo Grounds Before 15,000 Alumni and Students.

New York, Oct. 25.—Dartmouth took Cornell's measure, 9 to 0, in a hotly contested football game today at the Polo Grounds. Each eleven was loudly encouraged by thousands of alumni fans. The 15,000 persons attending acted like an old Thanksgiving Day crowd at a Yale-Princeton game.

Today's score may be taken as a measure of Cornell's spirit which did not flag despite Dartmouth's superiority. The Green was always master of the situation, but several times was halted in its advance toward the goal of the Ithaca men, who held their own fairly well during the first two periods. Dartmouth scored in the third and in the fourth a field goal was kicked by Robertson from the 47-yard line, giving Dartmouth the final three points. Yale easily defeated Tufts, 37 to 0, at the Yale bowl, New Haven, today, scoring five touchdowns, a field goal and four goals from touchdowns. The visiting eleven at no time endangered the Yale goal. Indeed a field goal, attempted from beyond the half length of the field was the only aggressive effort of the Tufts men to score.

Herbert Kempton, Eli's new field general, starred individually for his team, registering three of the five touchdowns but making two fumbles, neither of which proved costly. Webb, the new Yale fullback, came next as a stellar performer, with two scores to his credit.

Colgate triumphed over Princeton on the Tiger's home field today. It is true, but there was never a stage of the four periods when the visitors were not aware that they were engaged in a real football game. Princeton was no easy mark, even though her fighting machine was not strictly speaking, the equal of the great machine with which Colgate last week overwhelmed Cornell. It was not until the final stage of the game that the outcome was no longer in doubt, for the Tigers constantly displayed their right to the name by the fierceness of their play.

Wind Against Princeton. In the second period it appeared as if Princeton would score, but the strong wind rendered futile the brave attempt of Keck, the Tiger's tackle, to kick the ball 47 yards in the teeth of Colgate's defense. Colgate scored a touch down in the third quarter and West kicked the goal.

North met South in the big concrete stadium at Cambridge today when Harvard defeated University of Virginia, 47 to 0. The light team from Dixie proved no match for the Harvard eleven, which plunged through the defense apparently at will. Virginia failed to make a first down until late in the third period when a succession of forward and double passes put the ball on Harvard's twenty-yard line.

The Southerners entered the battle minus two of their best linemen. Bursh, left guard, had developed measles, and Blakey, left tackle, was laid up with injuries.

The Army eleven staged a comeback at West Point today which swept aside Boston college, 13 to 0. The soldiers trounced the Hub collegians who, a week ago, conquered Yale. The Bostonians were never dangerously near the Army goal line with a single exception. This came in the final quarter when an Army man was banished for slugging and the cadets were setback half the distance to their goal line. This put the ball on the Army 25-yard line. But even with this the visitors could do nothing with the Army men.

The Midshipmen won from Bucknell at Annapolis today, 21 to 6, in a game which was full of good football play and gave the Navy lads their first treat of the season. The Navy scored a touchdown and goal in the first period and two of each in the final quarter.

Bucknell scored in the third quarter on two spectacular plays. The final quarter was all navy.

WEST VIRGINIA VS. PRINCETON NOV. 1ST

Morgantown, Oct. 25 (Special).—With the second big contest of the season, that with Princeton next Saturday, loomed up in the offering. West Virginia's gridiron squad will be expected next week merely to polish off the plays which have been recently added to the repertoire, and to brush up on its defensive tactics in accordance with the instructions brought back by Coach Shelton, who will scout the Princeton-Colgate game at Princeton today.

The Princeton game will be the first that any West Virginia gridiron team has ever had scheduled with one of the so-called "big three" of intercollegiate football, I. e. Yale, Harvard and Princeton. This fact, of course, will militate against the success of the West Virginia eleven, but they will make every effort to overcome this handicap by giving an exhibition of the "fight" for which the mountaineer teams have become noted and while, of course, nobody is foolish to predict a West Virginia victory, it is generally believed that a good showing will be made and that the Tiger will have to play better football than he has been playing in earlier games to beat the West Virginia team badly as did Pitt.

Line-up Settled. Unless the great work that Homer Martin is doing at end compels the coaches to put him into the regular line-up, there will be no change from that which started the Bethany game today, when the Mountaineers take the field at Princeton. Captain Rogers, of course, will be at fullback; King and Mill, the new "ends" at halfbacks; Hite at quarterback position, though Rogers will call the signals; Russ Bailey at center, and the line will be made up of the guards, Harriot and Archer at the tackles and Mills and Hager at ends, barring, of course, Martin's selection for one of the wing positions. This team will be lighter by ten or fifteen pounds to the man than the one that might be put in the field, but a great deal of weight has been sacrificed for speed and, unquestionably, the aggregation listed above is the speediest that could be selected from the material at hand.

Princeton, of course, will greatly outweigh the West Virginia team, but this will be no serious handicap. Layman's Missionary Union. John Ballard, superintendent of the Sixth Mt. Zion Baptist Sunday school will address the Layman's Missionary union at the First Baptist church, College and Broad streets at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon. A very attractive program will be rendered, among those taking part will be Pearl Clark who will render several selections on the Saxophone. All are invited to be present.

Fork Union Downs Charlottesville, 34-0 (Special to Richmond Virginian) Charlottesville, Va., Oct. 25.—Fork Union military academy decisively defeated Charlottesville high school on Lambeth field 34 to 0. The cadet machine worked smoothly and the lighter high school lads were unable to stop the steady rushes of Fork Union's backfield. There were no outstanding stars, every member of the winners played well while the losers put up a game fight, though fighting against odds.

GAME CALLED OFF Due to the exceeding wetness of the gridiron in Williamsburg, the game scheduled to have been played in that city between Randolph-Macon and William and Mary was called off yesterday. The game will be played, however, tomorrow at Williamsburg, if there is no more rain. Most of the teams and the coaches of the two schools were in Richmond yesterday and witnessed the game between Richmond college and Hampden-Sidney.

"Eddie McGoorty Is Best Fighter I've Met," Says English Champion

Joe Becket Tells Inside Story of Great Fight, Said by Critics to Be One of Game Exhibitions on Record.

By JOE BECKETT

London, Oct. 25.—Down they go, one after another. First it was Billy Wells, then it was Frank Goddard, and now Eddie McGoorty has been added to the list of my recent victims, every one of them knocked out. It has been a busy time for me lately, and a short rest won't do me any harm. I think I have earned it and am now able to afford it.

It is a far cry from my boxing booth days to these times when I have got to put up with a larger share of popularity than is quite to my liking. That was a good purse I won from Eddie McGoorty, and it makes me smile to think that only a few years ago I was standing up to all comers in my mother's show, and fighting my hardest to prevent any of them winning the pound she could ill-afford to give to me, who kept their feet against me for three rounds.

HIS HARDEST BATTLE. My seventeen rounds fight with McGoorty was the toughest battle of my career so far, and I shouldn't be surprised if McGoorty would say the same thing. Both of us came out of the contest a good deal the worse for wear, though it is astonishing how quickly one pulls round again after a Turkish bath and a good sleep. McGoorty and I had never met before, and both of us had to take the measure of the other as the contest went on. I was not living in any fool's paradise about the American, and neither was he about me. I always admitted to myself that my opponent was a dangerous fellow. I notice that he was good enough to say afterward that I was the best man he had ever fought, and I suppose he meant it. I can honestly say that McGoorty was far and away the best man I have fought.

AMERICAN SHOWED HAND. The fight was just beginning when McGoorty showed me plainly that he believed his quickness and craftiness would be beyond me. He made a fatal mistake in letting me see his hand, so to speak. The highest cunning hides cunning. From start to finish the American told me as plainly as if he shouted it that he planned to knock me out with his long right hook, and from start to finish I planned to prevent him from landing that blow at all. His short left hooks didn't hurt much, but I took quite a number of them by way of experiment to find out how hard he could hit in that way. He wanted me to dodge the left hooks so that I could then come into position for the long right hook. In time, however, I disappointed him time after time in almost every round.

FEIGNED GROGGINESS. Several times I let on that I was a bit groggy and some of the newspaper men referred to this as if they took me seriously. That, of course, was how I wanted McGoorty to take me. At the worst I was never more than just rather uncomfortable when my nose bled too freely.

When the McGoorty did everything he could to box me away, with the apparent object of putting me at a sufficient distance to get in the full force of his right hook, I didn't mind taking his punches at close quarters, while he didn't like my blows at the same distance. The two left and right hooks with which I finished off my plucky opponent in the seventeenth round were delivered at no greater distance than about a foot. But into these hooks I gave the whole strength of my shoulders and back, timing them so that a doubt whether any man alive, after an hour's fierce fighting, could have taken them without going down. In the fourth round McGoorty was seen at his best, and I knew when I retired to my corner that I had got my measure, but I was still a long way from wanting to take liberties or run into unnecessary danger. Though I had counted on being able to knock McGoorty out about the ninth or tenth round, or, failing this, to box him to the end and win on points, I was now quite contented to go on as I was until I should have sufficiently worn him down to make sure of a knockout.

DIDN'T LIKE BODY BLOWS. Quite late in the fight McGoorty administered some very nasty body blows, which I did not like at all. He also got one or two rather jarring knocks at my head, with the result

that I found myself beginning to wonder when, but not to doubt how, the fight would end. It was, if I remember rightly, in the twelfth round that I landed a nice short jab which brought him to the floor for five seconds. That was the first real sign of waning on the part of his staying powers.

He then began to plunge at me wildly—quite different from the scientific way in which he boxed during the first twelve rounds. I suppose he knew that the crisis wasn't far off and that the only thing left for him to do was to try for a knockout. That was precisely what I was trying for, but I was also aware that McGoorty had not yet caused me any anxiety on this score and, unless there was a blow in him of which he had not yet given me any foretaste, everything pointed to him, and not me, being knocked out.

FELL END COMING. In the last round but one the end was in sight. I felt it. I absolutely knew it. Nothing in the world could shake my belief that it would be all over with McGoorty in a minute or two. What did I do then? I feigned grogginess and began to act deliberately.

This I did to get McGoorty to act still more rashly than he was doing. I then hammered him right and left on body and head, so that he went to his corner in such a condition that he had not properly revived when he came to the mark after the minute's interval. My chances had come. His hour had come. I resolved to let it all go, but took care even at that stage to make dead sure of everything. I boxed him into a corner and let him have an uppercut with my right hand.

GAME TO THE LAST. Down went McGoorty, glad to take the count of nine, and yet courageous enough to get on his feet again, when I rushed at him with a left hook following. I quickly a right hook, practically pitching him over the ropes. There was no longer any question of coming back. Eddie McGoorty had fought well, cleanly, cleverly, and in the most cunning manner possible. I was the better man. That is all there is to it. Boxers have their day. Whether McGoorty's day is done it is not for me to say. My day has come.

I now want them to bring Carpenter into the ring with me as soon as they can. After that perhaps America may provide another challenger. There is no hurry about that, however. I have not passed my best. I am twenty-five years of age, and I suppose I ought to go on improving for a year or two yet.

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Imports for September amounted to \$435,000,000, which is \$92,000,000 more than the previous high record, established in July of this year. The total for September of last year was \$282,000,000. During the nine months ended with September of this year imports amounted to \$2,697,000,000, against \$2,323,000,000 for a similar period of 1918.

Exports during September were valued at \$593,000,000, as compared with \$646,000,000 in August of this year and \$550,000,000 in September, 1918. In the nine months period of this year exports amounted to \$5,486,000,000, against \$4,559,000,000 for the corresponding nine months of 1918.

The excess of exports over imports during September amounted to \$158,000,000, the lowest figure for any month since July, 1917. During the nine months period ended with September of this year the excess amounted to \$1,169,000,000, against \$2,337,000,000 for a similar period last year.

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